



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Years 1 – 11

#### SCHOOL OPENING TIMES

- The secondary school will open from 8:00 every morning. Students may arrive any time between 8:00 and 8:15. After roll call and general announcements during Home Room (8:15 – 8:30) classes will start at 8:30.
- Primary students may arrive between 8:15 – 8:30. After Home Room (8:30 – 8:45) classes will start at 8:45.
- In the event of absence due to illness, the school must be informed by telephone (022 795 7510) or email ([info@britishschoolgeneva.ch](mailto:info@britishschoolgeneva.ch)). **Parents are reminded that the school operates within the obligatory education age group and all absences must be justified.**

#### BREAK TIMES

- Weather permitting, students will be required to go to the playground during break times and after lunch. The break will be supervised at all times by two members of staff. In the event of bad weather the break may be taken inside.

#### LUNCH

- The school provides hot lunches on all days except Wednesday. Students can register for this lunch service (optional extra) on a term-by-term basis or can bring a packed lunch. Parents are requested not to provide lots of chocolate, sweets or fizzy drinks as part of the lunch package.
- Students will not be allowed to leave the building unsupervised at any time during the school day and will not be allowed to go to the local shops or restaurants for lunch.

#### CLOSING TIMES

- The school day ends at 15:30 for the primary section and at 16:15 for the secondary section on all days except Wednesdays. On Wednesdays, school day ends at 11:45 for the secondary section and 12:15 for the primary section. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children are collected on time.
- The school offers an after-school supervised homework facility which will remain open until 17:30. This service can be booked at any time (including on the day in question) and is completely flexible. Any child not collected by the end of the school day will automatically be enrolled in this programme. This service will be billed separately.
- School doors close at 18:00 and parents have complete responsibility for their children from this time.

#### TRANSPORT

- British School of Geneva operates a mini-bus service to areas in the right bank of Geneva. Places are limited and will be allotted on a first-come first-serve basis.

#### UNIFORMS

- BSG students are expected to wear uniforms. These will be supplied by the school and billed separately.

### Years 12 – 13

- The A levels are a **two year programme** which gives students **entry into universities** not only in the UK, but also in Europe and North America. It is equivalent to the International Baccalaureat, Swiss Maturité and the French Baccalaureat.
- To enter universities in the UK, North America and Europe a minimum of **3 subjects at A level** are required. For Swiss universities, **3 additional subjects at AS and GCSE level** are required.
- All subjects are **modular** and will have 4 or 6 modules taught and examined over the 2 years. The final grade is an aggregate of the marks obtained in the modular exams. British School of Geneva is accredited to **EDEXCEL**, one of the main exam boards in the UK and all exams take place on our premises.
- Students attend full-time schooling (8:15 – 16:15) from Monday to Friday and will have 6 periods of directed teaching per subject in a week. In addition, they will be expected to participate in Physical Education and extra-curricular activities during the school day.